

Claims:

1. A method comprising:
  - a) selecting a function to be improved;
  - b) making a model depicting connections between said function and other things and analyzing and interpreting said model;
  - c) examining said connections through activities including, but not limited to research, remodeling, and additional analyzing and interpreting to discover additional information regarding connections between said function and said other things;
  - d) using creative thinking and said additional information to invent something which improves said function; and
  - e) applying said invention to improving said function.

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2. A method comprising:

- a) selecting a function to be improved;
- b) making a model depicting connections between said function and other things and analyzing and interpreting said model;
- c) examining said connections through activities including, but not limited to research, remodeling, and additional analyzing and interpreting to discover additional information regarding connections between said function and said other things;
- d) using creative thinking and said additional information to invent something which improves said function;
- e) applying said invention to improving said function, and
- f) repeating steps b) through e) until the desired result is obtained.

3. The model of claim 1.

4. The model of claim 2.

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